Approved Fc CONFIDENTS: AL-RDP82-00457R005100560004-4 CLASSIFICATION SECRET/CONTROL/US OFFICIAL Soviet Zone of Germany REPORT NO. Construction of Second Track on Lerlin-Luebbenau kailroad Line 25X1X 25X1A PLACE OBTAINED 25X1C DATE OF CONTENT\_ 23 May 1950 REPARED. 25X1A "ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE). RETURN TO CIA LIBRA 25X1X It was announced at conferences at the Cottbus (# 52/ A 57) hailroad District Administration that a second track was to be laid on the Lerlin-Luebbenau (R 52/ A 28) line. that construction had not yet started on 11 April 1950. The end of 1950 was mentioned as the target date for completion of the project, which is to increase the train density on the line. This increase is necessary because of heavy coal traffic between senftenberg (1/2)/1/34) and Berlin\*. Comment: The construction of a second track on the Luebbenau-Luebben line section (15 km) was started in the fall of 1948 for the same reason. This project had to be dropped because of a shortage of rails\*\*.
Completion of the larger project seems doubtful because of the continued shortage of rails. From an operational point of view, the planned improvement of this line, which is heavily overburdened by coal shipments from the Lenftenberg coal mining district, would be highly desirable. The line reported on is now double-track only between Berlin and Boenigswusterhausen, a section which is part of the Berlin interurban railroad system \*\*\* By:

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